## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Patent Application of

Confirmation No.: 7948

Jorge A. Groiso

Date: September 13, 2007

Serial No.:

10/634,410

Group Art Unit: 3733

Filed:

August 5, 2003

Examiner: Michael J. Arai

For: OSTEOSYNTHESIS CLIP AND INSERTION TOOL FOR USE WITH BONE TISSUE

-----

FRAGMENTS (As Amended)

VIA EFS-WEB
Commissioner for Patents

P.O. Box 1450

Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

## REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION

Sir:

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 114, of the above-identified application.

Credit card payment for the required RCE fee in the amount of \$395.00 (small entity) is submitted via EFS-Web.

In the event the actual fee is greater than the payment submitted or is inadvertently not enclosed or if any additional fee during the prosecution of this application is not paid, the Patent Office is authorized to charge the under-payment to Deposit Account No. 15-0700.

If this communication is filed after a shortened statutory time period in said pending application had elapsed and no separate Petition is enclosed, the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks is petitioned, under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), to extend the time for filing a response to the outstanding Office Action by the number of months which will avoid abandonment under 37 C.F.R. §1.135. The fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17 should be charged to our Deposit Account No. 15-0700.

]	If checked, please enter and consider the Amendment previously filed on
 _ 1	ınder 37 C.F.R. § 1.116.

## If checked, please consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief and Reply Brief previously submitted. If checked, suspension of action is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of months (3 maximum). A petition fee in the amount of \$130.00 is enclosed. Respectfully submitted, THIS CORRESPONDENCE IS BEING SUBMITTED ELECTRONICALLY THROUGH THE PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE EFS FILING Louis C. Dujmich SYSTEM ON September 13, 2007. Registration No.: 30,625 OSTROLENK, FABER, GERB & SOFFEN, LLP 1180 Avenue of the Americas New York, New York 10036-8403 LCD/jh

Telephone: (212) 382-0700

If checked, an Amendment is enclosed.

√